Road connecting Shertala-Thanneermukam road with Chenganda junction.

175 *MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are in receipt of any memorial or other representations from the public of Kokothamangalam pakuthy, Shertala, urging upon them the necessity of constructing a cartable road connecting Shertala-Thanneermukam road with Chenganda junction on the Shertala-Arukutty road ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, when were they received and what action have they taken on the same ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) On 28-5-1937. The matter is being considered.

Irrigation Canals in Thiruvammamtoor pakuthi, Tiruvalla taluk.

176. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they or the Chief Engineer or the Irrigation Executive Engineer have received representation from the agriculturists of Thiruvammamtoor pakuthi in Tiruvalla taluk, through the President of the Taluk Karshaka Maha Sabha, for improving the irrigation canals in the said *pakuthi* ;

(*b*) whether any officer of the Irrigation Department has inspected the above canals and the adjoining paddy fields ; and

(*c*) whether any steps have been taken to improve the irrigation canals of the said *pakuthi* ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAUDHAN PILLAI : May I know from the Government the steps taken hither to by the Department for improving the irrigation canal in the Thiruvammamtoor *pakuthi* ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : The Division Officer has been asked to submit an estimate and he has promised to do that before the close of Chingam 1113.

Road from Chengannoor Temple.

177. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is a Government road running from the eastern side of the Chengannoor Sirkar temple and Palace to join the Chengannur-Aranmula road at Angadikal ;

(*b*) the length of this road ;

(*c*) whether this part of the road is under departmental maintenance and control ;

(*d*) whether there is any culvert on this road and, if so, its present condition ; and

(*e*) whether the department has taken any steps to improve this part of the road ?

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MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (*a*) There is a foot path.

(*b*) Half a mile.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) There is a small bridge and this is passable for foot passengers.

(*e*) No, beyond what can be done from the small maintenance grant of Rs. 15.

Auction sale in the Forest Department.

178. ***MR. K. T. THOMAS** (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of auctions conducted by the sale officer in the Forest Department, with the amount and average rates realised at such sales?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Secretary to Government*):

Number of sales conducted 37.

Amount of sale. Bh. Rs. 1,21,662-15-2.

Average rate. The labour involved in preparing a statement furnishing the information is out of all proportion to its possible utility.

MR. K. T. THOMAS: May I know from the honourable member how the average compares with the amounts realised by the respective Division Forest Offices?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP: No average has been struck, but the sale prices are generally higher.

The Pulianthuruthu Kuthakappattam Tenure.

179. ***MR. JOSEPH VITHAYATHIL** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received representations from the people of Puthenvelikkara pakuthi in Parur taluk regarding certain tenure of land called *Pulianthuruthu Kuthakappattam*; and

(*b*) whether they have taken any steps to redress the grievance of the holders of these *Kuthakappattam* lands?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter is under enquiry.

Agricultural Farm in Alleppey.

180. ***MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP**: With regard to the Agricultural Farm in, Alleppey, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when it was first established;

(*b*) the total expenditure hitherto incurred

(*c*) the average annual income from, and the expenditure for the same; and

(*d*) the object with which the Farm was originally established?

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